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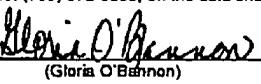
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 16, 2004 (Paper No. 5). The shortened statutory period for response is three months from the mailing date, i.e., by September 16, 2004. Please enter the following remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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